House Resolution No. 707

Whereas, the Missouri House of Representatives is fully cognizant of the important role which the Boy Scouts of America organization plays in offering a well-rounded program of activities designed to prepare young men for the many diverse challenges of responsible citizenship; and

Whereas, Stephen Kent Slinkard, II, of Farmington, Missouri, has been privileged to participate in such activities as a loyal, diligent, and industrious member of Troop 471, which will bestow upon him the rank of Eagle Scout during appropriate ceremonies on March 15, 2003, at Memorial United Methodist Church; and

Whereas, Kent culminated eight years of Scouting endeavor with the successful completion of his required Eagle project that took him many hours to plan, organize, and carry out for the overall benefit of others by landscaping an area around the entrance sign at Farmington High School; and

Whereas, the son of Stephen K. and Sarah Slinkard, Kent always took the time and continually put forth the energy to perform his duties in the most efficient and effective manner possible and truly excelled while assuming responsibility as Troop Guide, Assistant Patrol Leader, Patrol Leader, Assistant Senior Patrol Leader, and Troop Librarian; and

Whereas, Kent has ample reason to be exceedingly proud of his other impressive achievements which include taking part in District Camporees and Extreme Scouting 2000, attending Ranger Camp and four summer camps, and earning twenty-three merit badges, five Mile Swim awards, BSA Lifeguard certification, the District Camporee Cobbler King Award, and membership in the Order of the Arrow; and

Whereas, it is only with the commitment, ability, and enthusiasm of such young Missourians as Kent Slinkard that America can continue to maintain respect as the greatest nation in the world:

Now, therefore, be it resolved that we, the members of the Missouri House of Representatives, Ninety-second General Assembly, join unanimously in conveying to Kent Slinkard a message of appreciation for his steadfast determination to succeed in Scouts, in congratulating him as he attains the rank of Eagle, and in wishing him much fulfillment in pursuing new avenues of challenge in the years ahead; and

Be it further resolved that the Chief Clerk of the Missouri House of Representatives be instructed to prepare a properly inscribed copy of this resolution for Eagle Scout Stephen Kent Slinkard, II.